(d) whether Government propose to increase the assistance for this purpose;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA) : (a) No, Sir. No proposal has been received form the Government of Gujarat for financial assistance for small, medium and large irrigation projects. However, on disengagement of Sarder Sarovar Project form World Bank assistance, an amount of Rs. 550 crores has been approved for reimbursement of expenditure for completion of the project.

(b) to (f) Do not arise.

रक्षा उत्पादन एकक की स्थापना

1129. श्री गोविन्दराम मिरी : क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजनावधि के दौरान एक बड़ा रक्षा उत्पादन एकक स्थापित करने का विचार रखती है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसे कहां स्थापति किया जाएगा;

(ग) क्या गुजरात अथवा मध्य प्रदेश इस प्रयोजनार्थ सबसे उपयुक्त स्थान है ;

(घ) क्या कुछ वर्तमान रक्षा उत्पादन एककों का विस्तार करने का कोई प्रस्ताव है; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो इस प्रयोजनार्थ कितनी धनराशि आबंटित की गई है?

राज्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एन. वी. एन. सोमू) : (क) उड़ीसा में बोलंगीर स्थित आयुध निर्माणी को पूरा करने के अलावा कोई नई रक्षा उत्पादन इकाई स्थापित करने का कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठते।

(घ) और (ङ) पहले से ही उपलब्ध पर्याप्त सुविधाओं को ध्यान में रखते हुए मौजूदा उत्पादन इकाइयों के विस्तार का कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है।

World Bank Assistance for Widening of Highways

1130. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an agreement has been signed to implement a project for planting of tree on either side of roads for shade purposes on National Highways and State Highways and widening of these highways with the help of World Banks;

(b) if so, total amount received per year as loan and grants-in-aid as per the agreement together with the amount of loan and grants-in-aid cancelled.

(c) the reasons for not utilising the amount of loan and grants-in-aid in time; and

(d) the details of the work approved and the achievements so far in planting of trees on either side of the roads and widening of these roads, as per the agreement?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI G. VENKATRAMAN : (a) to (d) No loan agreement has been singned with the World Bank to implement a project for planting of trees on either side of roads for shade purpose on National Hishways and State Highways. However, one loan from World Bank is currently under implementation for widing of National Highway sections. The loan agrement was signed in June 1992 for an amount of US $ 306 millon and the loan closes in June 2001. An amount of about US $ 56 millon has been received upto the year 1995-96. No mount of loan has been cancelled. Details of works included in the loan agreement are enclosed as statemant.

Statement

Second National Highway Project Under World Bank Loan (LN 3470-IN/CR-2365 IN)

LOANE AMOUNT : US $ 306 Million
DATE OF SIGNING : 18-08-1992
DATE OF CLOSING : June, 2001 Effective Date : 31-08-1992 *(Amount in Rs. Crores)*

Sl. No.	State	NH. No.	Name of Project	Length in Km	Sanctioned cost (Rs.Crores)	Present Progress
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	HARYANA	1	4-laning between Karnal & Ambala Km. 132.88-212.16 (NH-1)	79.50	287.22	Works commenced in Jan, 1995 Progress-18%

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2.	PUNJAB	1	4-laning between Sirhind and Punjab/Haryna Border Km. 212.2 to 252.25 of NH-1	40.00	199.500	Works commenced in Jan. 1995 Progress 25%
3.	ORISSA	5	4-laning of Cuttack Bhubanes war Section of NH-5 Km. 0.0 to 27.8	27.80	218.41	Works commenced in Jan. 1995 Porgress-13%
4.	MADHAYA PRADESH	3	(a) copnstructionof Indore bypass NH-3—	31.40	73.44	Pre-construction activities in progress Tenders are to be invited
			(b) 4-laning of Indore-Dewas Section of NH-3 Km. 574.4 to 591.6	18.20	29.53	Pre-construction activities in progress Tenders are to be invited
5.	MAHA-RASHTRA	8	4-laning between Creek and Manor Km. 439 to 497 (NH-8)	58.00	117.73	Pre-construcion activities in progress Tenders are to be invited
6.	WEST-BENGAL	2	4-laning between Raniganj and West Bengal/Bihar Border, Km. 438.6 to 474.0 of NH-2	35.40	88.40	Pre-construction activities in progress Tenders are to be invited
7.	ORISSA	State Road	Construction of 6 damaged State Road Bridges in Ganjam District.	—	32.5	Works connenced in March, 1994 Progress-67%
				290.3		

Double Laning of NH-53

1131. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that NH-39 frequently affected by landslides and other disturbances in Assam/ Nagaland; and

(b) whether there is any plan to develop the NH-53 upto the standard of double-lane National Highway?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN): (a) NH-39 is being maintained in traffic worthy condition within the available resources, and the disturbances due to landslides etc., are being tackled expeditiously by the executive agencies.

(b) It is proposed to develop NH-53 to National Highway Standards, subject to availability of funds.

Problem in getting Pakistani Visa

1132. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Visas issued to Pakistani Citizens during last three years;

(b) the number of Indians visited Pakistan during last three years;

(c) whether Pakistan has imposed any restrictions in issuing Visas to Indians for visiting Pakistan to meet their relations;

(d) whether it has come to the notice of Government that it is almost impossible for Indians to get Visa;

(e) whether Government have taken up this